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**PATENT** 

 $R^{1}(Alk^{1})$   $(L^{1})_{s}$   $(Alk^{2})_{m}$   $C(R^{2})$   $X^{1}R^{4}$  R (1a)

But C' to d

wherein:

R is a carboxylic acid;

R<sup>1</sup> is an optionally substituted pyridyl group;

Alk<sup>1</sup> is an optionally substituted  $C_{1-6}$  aliphatic chain or  $C_{1-6}$  heteroaliphatic chain containing one, two, three or four heteroatoms or heteroatom-containing groups;

L1 is a linker atom or group;

r and s, which may be the same or different, is each zero or an integer 1;

Alk<sup>2</sup> is a straight or branched alkylene chain;

m is zero or an integer 1;

R<sup>2</sup> is a hydrogen atom or a methyl group;

 $X^1$  is a group selected from -N(R³)CO-, (where R³ is a hydrogen atom or a straight or branched alkyl group); -N(R³) SO<sub>2</sub>-, -N(R³)C(O)O- or -N(R³)CON(R³a)- (where R³a is a hydrogen atom or a straight or branched alkyl group);

 $R^4$  is an optionally substituted  $C_{1-6}$  aliphatic,  $C_{3-10}$  cycloaliphatic or  $C_{7-10}$  polycycloaliphatic group;

and the salts, solvates, hydrates and N-oxides thereof.

12. (amended once) Acompound which is:

 $\sqrt{N}$ -Isopropaloyl-N-(3,5-dichloroisonicotinoyl)-L-4-aminophenylalanine;

N-Cyclopropaloyl-N-(3,5-dichloroisonicotinoyl)-L-4-aminophenylalanine;

N-Acetyl-N'-(3,5-dichloroisonicotinoyl)-L-4-aminophenylalanine;

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and the salts, solvates, hydrates and N-oxides thereof.

14. (amended once) A method for the prophylaxis or treatment of a disease or disorder involving inflammation in which the extravasation of leukocytes plays a role in a mammal, which comprises administering to a mammal suffering from such a disease or disorder a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (1):

Sub 2

$$R^{1}(Alk^{1})_{r}(L^{1})_{s}$$

$$(Alk^{2})_{m}$$

$$C(R^{2})-X^{1}R^{4}$$

$$R$$

$$(1)$$

wherein:

R is a carboxylic acid (CO<sub>2</sub>H);

R<sup>1</sup> is a hydrogen atom or a hydroxyl, straight or branched alkoxy or optionally substituted pyridyl group;

Alk<sup>1</sup> is an optionally substituted  $C_{1-6}$  aliphatic chain or  $C_{1-6}$  heteroaliphatic chain containing one, two, three or four heteroatoms or heteroatom-containing groups;

L1 is a linker atom or group;

r and s, which may be the same or different, is each zero or an integer 1 provided that when r is zero R<sup>1</sup> is an optionally substituted pyridyl group;